

# *Incoming Class of 2015*

**The Iowa Legislature Fiscal Committee**  
**November 20, 2015**





- As the state's comprehensive university, UNI focuses on educating Iowans who tend to stay in Iowa to work and live; 88% of students enrolled fall 2015 are residents.
- The impact of UNI goes well beyond our teacher education roots. In 2014, 97% of UNI graduates were employed or continuing their education within six months of graduation.



# 2015 Fall Enrollment

- This is the third consecutive year the entering freshman class has increased.
- New transfer students increased for the first time in five years, with 979 students transferring.
- Northern Iowa student body is more diverse than ever before:
  - Fall 2015 is highest rate of all time with 9.4% total enrollment comprises of minority students, compared to 8.9% in Fall 2014
  - Fall 2015 entering freshman class comprises of 10.1% minority students
  - Exceeds Board of Regents goal of 8.5% total minority enrollment
- Northern Iowa students are taking less time to graduate:
  - 4 yr. graduation rate up to 39.9% from 39.2%
  - 6 yr. graduation rate up to 67.6% from 63.8%



# 2015 Fall Enrollment

Iowa Public High School Graduation Rate - Increased 1.1%

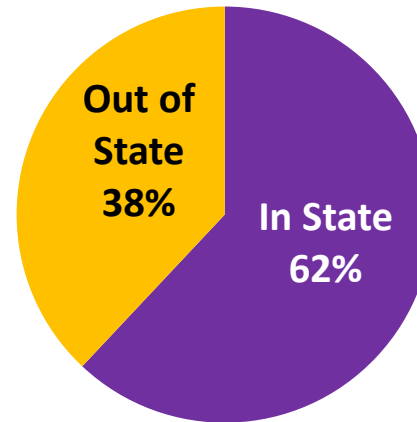
Total Enrollment - 11,981 +53 from last year

- 10,169 Undergraduate and 1,812 Graduate Students
- 1,916 new freshman, +119 from last year, +6.62%  
(+100 resident, +19 non-resident)
- 979 new transfer students, +75 from last year, +8.29%  
(+78 resident, -3 non-resident)
- 589 new graduates, +104 from last year, or +21.44%
- 3,613 total new students, +265 from last year, +7.92%
- 1,123 total minority students, +57 from last year, +5.35%
- 365 new minority students, +19 from last year, +5.49%



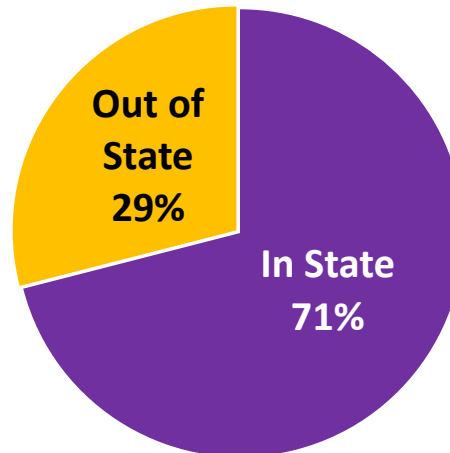


# UNI Alumni



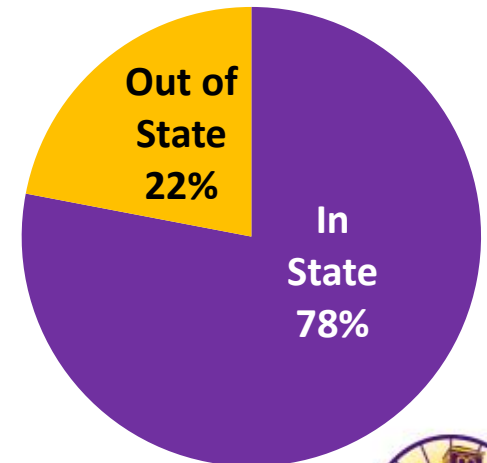
Total Alumni: **112,948**  
Total Resident Alumni: **69,852**

UNI Alumni Living in Iowa,  
under the age of 45



Total Alumni living in IA  
under the age of 45: **35,990**

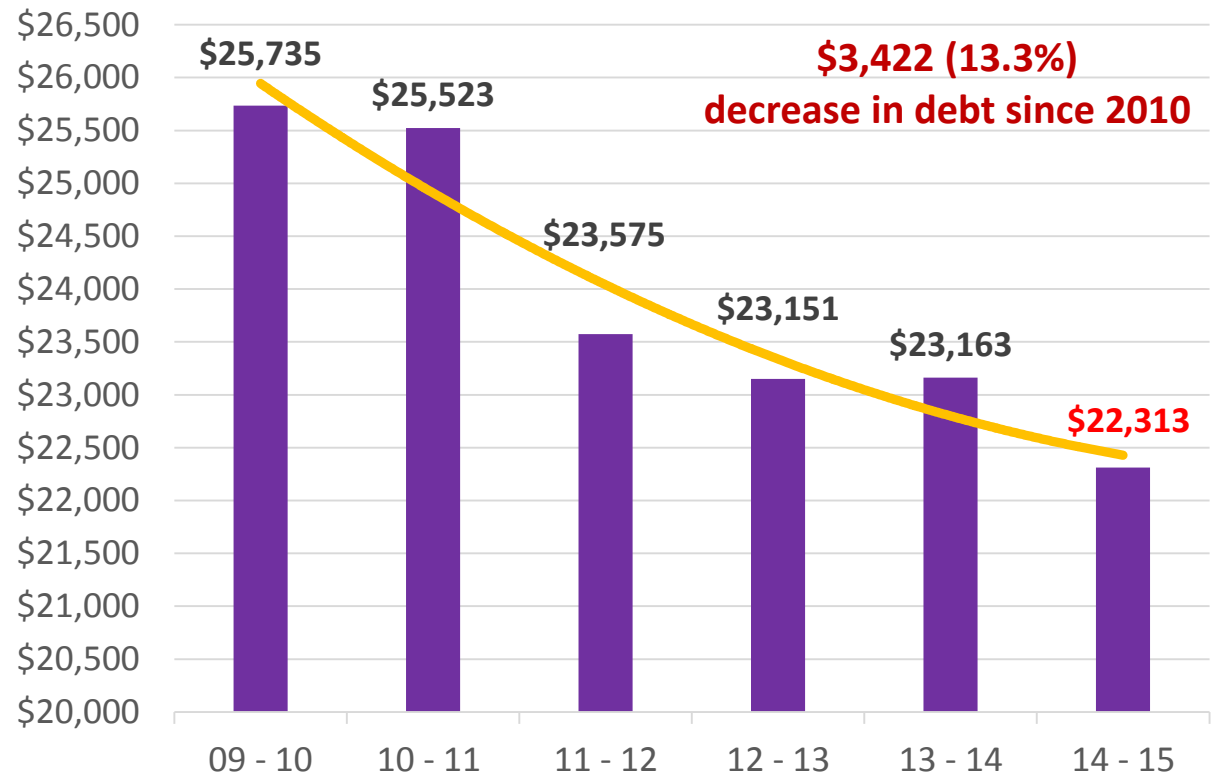
UNI Alumni Living in Iowa &  
graduating in the last decade



Total Alumni living in IA  
and graduating in the last  
decade: **18,885**



# Decreasing Student Debt



Average undergraduate debt upon graduation (info from 2014-2015 academic year)



# State Appropriations FY2017 Request \$7.65M

- **Financial Aid** – UNI has historically lagged behind other Regent institutions in available funding for financial aid. New funding would be particularly focused on Iowa need-based students since the university has a higher population of students from lower income families. This funding would also be directed to diversity initiatives and first generation Iowa students.
- **Enrollment Management** – Funds will be allocated to strategic enrollment management initiatives in the areas of recruitment, admissions, and student retention.
- **Deferred Maintenance** – Additional funding will allow for timely response to deferred maintenance issues in academic buildings. Building repairs have been cut over the past years due to budget constraints.
- **Invest in Efficiency** – The recommendations of consultants for the TIER project recognized that the various business cases will require some level of up-front investment before savings will be fully realized.



# **Thank you!**

# **Questions?**